Budget Unit Brief



Iowa Veterans Home

Background

The lowa Veterans Home (IVH), located in Marshalltown, lowa, provides both nursing home and residential levels of care for lowa's aged, chronically ill, or disabled veterans, dependent spouses, and surviving spouses. As of September 2016, there were 538 individuals living at the Veterans Home, including 442 individuals in the nursing facility and 96 individuals in domiciliary care.

In 1886, the lowa General Assembly approved an appropriation of \$75,000 for the establishment of an lowa Soldiers Home "to provide a home and subsistence for all honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines who had served in the Army and Navy of the United States, and who are disabled by disease, illness, or otherwise." The Home was eventually constructed in 1887. In 1975, the lowa General Assembly changed the name of the lowa Soldiers Home to the lowa Veterans Home.

The role of the Home has evolved considerably over the years. The Home was originally a domiciliary for veterans with insufficient resources to live independently or for veterans unable to earn a livelihood by virtue of disability. Today, the Veterans Home is a facility that serves veterans with chronic conditions rather than those with insufficient incomes. The Veterans Home also provides services to spouses of qualified veterans. Spouses qualify for admission if they have been married to a veteran for one year before the date of application and meet residency requirements.

Services

Each resident of the IVH is assigned a staff physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner, registered nurse, social worker, recreation therapist, and a dietitian to manage treatment and care. In addition to health services, the IVH provides dental services and a variety of recreational services on and off the campus, as well as transportation.

Funding

The Iowa Veterans Home budget is estimated to be \$86.6 million dollars in FY 2017, including \$7.6 million from the General Fund. A detailed list of the Veterans Home revenue follows:

FY 2017 IVH Projected Revenue		
Medicaid (State and Federal)	\$	37,619,566
US Dept. Veterans Affairs Per Diem		19,824,366
Resident Support		14,077,845
General Fund Appropriation		7,594,996
Carryforward		3,969,833
Insurance Companies		2,459,669
Medicare Part B Fee for Service		995,360
Miscellaneous		83,079
Total Revenues	\$	86,624,714

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

lowa Code <u>chapters 35A</u> and <u>35D</u> <u>801</u> lowa Administrative Code chapter <u>10</u>

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More Information

Iowa Veterans Home: http://ivh.iowa.gov/

Iowa General Assembly: https://www.legis.iowa.gov

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